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TO: Stakeholders in the Delta and its Tributary Watersheds and Other Interested Persons

SUBJECT: Delta Mercury TMDL Stakeholder Meeting 19 December 2008

As previously noticed, the first informational meeting to discuss the proposed stakeholder process for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Delta Estuary (Delta) mercury Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) is scheduled as follows:

Date: **Friday, 19 December 2008**
Time: Beginning at 9 am.
Location: Blanchard Community Room of the Davis Library in Davis, California

The Davis location was selected in cooperation with our consultant, the State University Sacramento, Center for Collaborative Policy (CCP), in an effort to meet at a location convenient to the widest number of stakeholders. The agenda for the first meeting and directions to the Davis library will be sent to you no later than the first of next week.

CCP has completed their stakeholder assessment and will be presenting their findings and recommendations on the 19th. The remainder of the meeting will be an open discussion about next steps. Our goal is to establish a neutral basis for proposed discussions. This is the first of a series of meetings to be held. We will work closely with CCP on the structure and schedule for the subsequent meetings. This will also be discussed at the meeting on the 19th. Looking forward, I expect the January meeting to focus on providing all affected stakeholders an opportunity to present their key suggestions on how to improve the TMDL documents. Likewise, I hope to have Board staff give you an update on the current status of our work. Most importantly, I look forward to establishing a dialogue on this topic and taking a fresh approach on how we can work together.

I encourage you to attend this first meeting on the 19th. Now is the time for the Water Board, our fellow regulatory community, and all stakeholders to create a dialogue about this important challenging water quality topic. If you have any questions, please contact Patrick Morris (916-464-4621, pmorris@waterboards.ca.gov).

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